

Election results in landslide victory for Seiler, Ruei

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NEWS EDITOR

With a lower voter turnout than last year, Lucas Seiler and running mate Buey Ruei won the student president/regent race in this week's election.

Seiler and Ruei received 838 vote out of a total 1308 ballots cast. The opposing ticket, Meg Mandy and running mate Sheena Kennedy, received 393 votes.

Last year's election netted slightly more than 10.67 percent of the student body, while this year's contest drew only 9.24 percent of the student body.

Neither Seiler or Ruei were present when the results were announced in the Milo Bail Student Center Fireplace Lounge.

When contacted Seiler said, "I'm happy with the victory, but I wish more students would have gotten out and voted. I hope with the visibility campaign we can receive more student voice."

Last year's results were the highest turnout since 1999, when the elections were first held online. Student government's adviser, Barb Treadway, declined to comment specifically on the lower voter turnout.



Buey Ruei

"We need to sit down and look at this year's election and evaluate it. Then we'll sit down with the election commission and the executive council and come to a conclusion," Treadway said.

Mandy said the results were disappointing. However, as of Wednesday evening, she was considering filing a



Student president/regent candidate Meg Mandy, far left, and her running mate Sheena Kennedy listen as Jeremy Loseke, right, announces the election's winners.

grievance with the election commission. The rules stipulate a grievance must be filed within 24 hours of the announcement.

"It's hard to say right now. There were some definite things that were immoral and unethical that occurred during the campaign that are going to be looked into," Mandy said. "I don't want to reveal any of that yet, if I'm going to file a grievance."

Mandy also said since she is planning on graduating next winter, she would probably not be running for student government again.

Current Student President/Regent Alex Williams said, barring any grievances, he anticipated the transition would be smooth.

"Since there's an existing relationship, I think there will be a wonderful transition," Williams said. "Even if there are things they might not be as proficient at, those will be made up for in the

next few months. I'm very excited for the transition. Everyone always says 'Change is good,' and I agree."

Seiler and Ruei will officially be appointed president and vice president during an installation ceremony this January. The date for the installation ceremony will be set later this semester.

Three referenda items were also considered by voters regarding Fund A student fee funding for the Gateway, Student Programming Organization and student government.

Funding for the Gateway was approved with 46.25 percent of participants voting "yes." The other 53.75 either voted against the funding or abstained. SPO's funding was also approved with



Lucas Seiler

55.12 percent of voters.

However, student government officers, including president/regent, will not receive salaries next year. Forty-eight percent of voters rejected the possible pay. The executive salary referendum item has failed to pass in recent elections.

For Seiler, the long campaign trail is finally at an end.

"I'm happy it's over," he said. "I'm exhausted. It was a great time meeting a lot of people."

Eschewing the traditional after victory party, Seiler said he was celebrating with his girlfriend.

"I promised my girlfriend I would have a nice little dinner with her tonight at her place because this campaign has taken it out of me, us," he said. "I haven't gotten much time to see her."

Bake sale policies vary across NU system, prohibited at UNO for health reasons

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Food policy changes were taken under advisement throughout the University of Nebraska system, resulting in each campus examining how they treat outside food, in particular bake sales. Announced Sept. 25, UNO banned bake sales after a recommendation to do so was made by Bill Swanson, UNO's risk manager.

"I think the whole notion of risk and liability have changed the way everything is being done on campus," said Swanson. "This is a health issue; this is a safety issue. We felt like it needed to be brought to the surface."

Swanson notified UNO officials and other university leaders of the decision to ban bake sales citing health and liability issues.

On the three other NU campuses, the risk managers examined each campus' policy and made recommendations to the administration on the issue of outside food. Kelly Bartling,

with University Communications at Lincoln, said there would not be any changes to UNL's food policy. Bake sales as well as outside food will still be allowed.

"The risk manager, Greg Clayton, in conjunction with our vice chancellor for business and finance, looked at the risks, benefits to continue to allow student groups to serve food on campus," said Bartling. "We could not see a need to prohibit food, food sales and offerings on campus, with the understanding that other campuses made decisions that were right for them."

Bartling said the benefits, for Lincoln far outweighed the possible negative side effects.

"We would just hate to get in the way of that sort of activity, because it's a positive activity here on campus. We haven't had any bad outcome with serving food so there's not reason at this point to make a change," she said.

The risk manager for the University of Nebraska at Kearney said while the issue was

taken under advisement and there would not be an outright ban, some restrictions and regulations would be put into place.

"As a risk manager it does concern me that we do have a safe environment," said UNK Risk Manager John Lakey. "We hope to not expose people to risk of illness or sickness from either allergies or improperly stored food."

The possibility of malicious behavior, though, will warrant some restrictions, specifically on preparation and storage, said Lakey.

"In the various user groups I belong to as a risk manager, I see some of this coming across. This is a concern," said Lakey. "I've never had anything reported on this campus, but concerns about people being malicious - putting laxatives, dog food into the food means we have to be careful."

The Nebraska Medical Center's risk manager, David Poppert, was unavailable for comment. However, Swanson said, "I'm certain that UNMC will take a similar position to UNO."

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Multicultural programs, student organizations credited for increase in minority undergraduate enrollment numbers

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Over the last year, UNO has shown a significant growth in Asian, African American and Hispanic student enrollment, according to statistics collected by Linda Mannering, director of the Office of Institutional Research.

In a university press release regarding the increased enrollment, Chancellor John Christensen said, "We are proud that our student enrollment reflects the diversity of the metropolitan area we serve. We're also seeing an increase of graduate students on campus, which means those students with undergraduate degrees are seeking to better themselves, their careers and their futures with additional education."

University officials attributed the growth to recruitment services, the Summer Scholars program, various scholarship programs and groups like the Association of Latino American Students and the African American Organization.

The number of African Americans enrolled in an undergraduate program grew from 735 in 2006 to 758 in 2007.

In 2006 there were 369 Asian undergraduate students, with an addition of four students in 2007. Furthermore, the number of Hispanic students

increased from 447 in 2006 to 468 in 2007. There was also one additional Native-American student, raising the total to 64 in 2007.

The growth in multicultural students is sure to have wide-reaching effects on the university, said James Freeman, the director of Multicultural Affairs.

This will then create an environment where students will be able to learn from the experiences and backgrounds of others and apply this knowledge to real life situations.

"What we're doing is preparing the students to work in the real world," said Freeman.

This year's increase in multicultural students is hoped to continue in the years to come.

David Cicotello, the director of New Student Enrollment Services said, "This is good news. While it's a modest growth, I think it's good news. I think a positive growth is a combination of recruitment and retention."

Timothy Gaskin, a sophomore International Business major, said that he participated in the Summer Scholars program and already had a feel for UNO.

"I like the environment here," Gaskin said.

Sophomore Hong An Nguyen agreed with Gaskin, saying, "I think [going to college] will benefit me in the long run."

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PRSSA to host Italian Night today

Tonight, the UNO chapter of the Public Relations Student Society of America will hold its fourth annual "La Notte Italiana" from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Apple Creek Clubhouse, 14040 Dorcas Plaza. The event is raising money for student travel, national and regional competitions, as well as community service projects.

"La Notte Italiana" will feature a full-course dinner provided by local Italian restaurants and costs \$20 for adults or \$10 for students with a MavCard. The public is invited to attend along with the campus community.

For more information, contact Karen Weber, PRSSA adviser, at 554-2246 or kweber@mail.unomaha.edu.

UNO chancellor installation set for Oct. 9

John Christensen will be officially installed as the chancellor of UNO during a ceremony at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Strauss Performing Arts Center. NU President James B. Milliken will preside over the event, which is open to the public.

"John Christensen is exactly the right leader for UNO," Milliken said. "As the first Omahan and UNO graduate to serve as Chancellor, he brings a connection with and love for both community and campus. More importantly, he is focused on the future of this remarkable institution and will provide strong and able leadership."

The event is intended to bring together the academy and the public, creating an opportunity for reflection and celebration of the institution and of higher education.

The theme for the event, "Living the Future; Understanding the Past," is based on a quotation from Danish philosopher and theologian Soren Kierkegaard. He said, "Life can only be understood backwards, but it must be lived forwards."

Omaha Mayor Mike Fahey, NU Board of Regents Chairman Chuck Wilson, UNO Student Regent Alex Williams, UNO Professor Scott Tarry, staff member Jennifer Forbes-Baily and alumna Deb McLarney are among those speaking at the event.

The installation ceremony will begin with a

procession of representatives from Nebraska's public and private colleges and universities and faculty in academic regalia and will feature musical performances by UNO faculty and students.

Drive by, donate to KVNO Oct. 8

KVNO, Classical 90.7 will be holding its fall fund drive Monday, Oct. 8, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the William H. and Dorothy Thompson Alumni Center portico.

Drivers can make a mobile express pledge or pick up an information packet on the station, while also grabbing a doughnut.

Also, a Mozart character will conduct commuters onto campus at 66th and Dodge streets. Mozart's costume is provided by Sharon Sobel, chair of the UNO Theatre Department.

For more information on KVNO's Drive by and Donate event, contact Cheril Lee, KVNO news director, or Kim Balkovec, KVNO membership manager, at 559-5866.

History of first North American travels discussed at UNO

Beth Ritter, an associate professor with the Department of Sociology and director of Native American Studies at UNO, will lead a discussion about the first Spanish expeditions across the new continent, Oct. 12 in the Council Room of the Milo Bail Student Center.

Beginning at noon, the discussion will focus on Paul Schneider's 2006 book, "Brutal Journey: The Epic Story of the First Crossing of North America."

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Student Profile 2007-08

Highlights

- Ninety-five percent of UNO freshmen say UNO is their first or second choice.
- The average ACT score of 23.4 is one of the highest in UNO's history for entering freshmen.
- Retention from the freshman to sophomore year is high at 71 percent.
- UNO is ethnically diverse. Fifteen percent of students are minority students or international students. Nineteen percent of faculty is ethnic minorities.
- The student-to-faculty ratio is 17 to 1.
- Classes are small - 64 percent are under 30 students.
- Sixty-five percent of credit hours are taught by full-time faculty.

States, other than Nebraska, sending the largest number of students are:

- Iowa - 517
- South Dakota - 55
- Minnesota - 44
- Kansas - 36
- Missouri - 27
- Colorado - 26


Foreign countries sending the largest number of students to UNO are:

- Saudi Arabia - 90
- China - 79
- India - 70
- Nepal - 32

Undergraduate enrollment by college

- Agriculture - 12
- Architecture - 60
- Arts & Sciences - 3,434
- Business - 2,042
- Communication, Fine Arts & Media - 1,073
- Education - 1,479
- Education & Human Science - 97
- Engineering & Technology - 865
- Information Science & Technology - 97
- Public Affairs - 479
- Division of Continuing Studies - 948
- University Division - 728
- Inter-campus /Non-degree /Coop. - 301

Information compiled from Office of Institutional Research's Student Profile 2007-2008, available online at www.unomaha.edu/instres/joir.



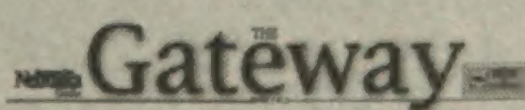
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Ranch Bowl site demolished for low, low prices of Wal-Mart near Center Street campus

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Wal-Mart has begun construction over one of Omaha's favorite, but no longer existing spots on the music circuit, the Ranch Bowl.

Chris Willet, the engineer in charge of the project, said demolition of the Ranch Bowl was complete. Preparation, grading and leveling of land had also been completed and retaining walls were being built. Willet said the doors should open in August of 2008.

The Ranch Bowl was a beloved stop on the Omaha music circuit, and there is a certain regret and frustration among many students at the loss of the Ranch bowl.

Sophomore Alex Hoffman said, in regards to a Wal-Mart taking over the Ranch Bowl's location that, "It kind of sucks. So many cool bands have been there. I saw my first concert there too. I really hated how it was empty for so long, before it was torn down."

While many students may balk at Wal-Mart's business practices, their promise of low prices might be too alluring for bottom-dollar college students.

Sufi Nazem, a professor of Marketing and Management at UNO said Wal-Mart has a 40 million customer base and that they are largely lower-income. Stores such as Target are more middle-class friendly while Wal-Mart is more lower-class friendly, Nazem said.

"Wal-Mart's power is huge-volume. They can negotiate better with retailers and therefore bring low prices," Nazem said.

Despite Wal-Mart's power to buy anything and drive small retailers out of business they do represent an affordable place to shop.

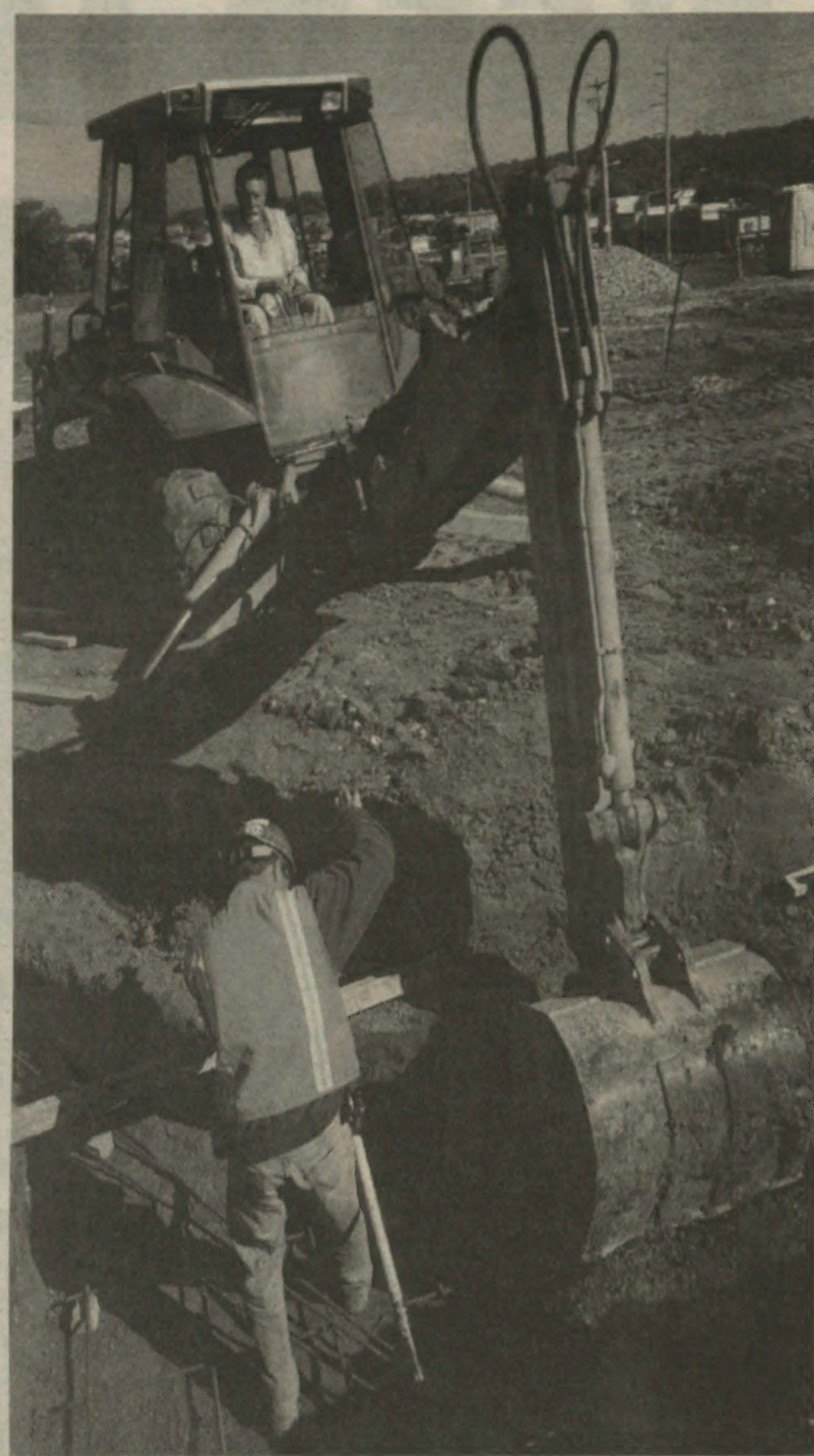
There are also students on campus that feel having such a place just down the street is a fantastic development in future considerations regarding their budget. Senior Maro Bottros said, "It will be so convenient for the students. Having a big store like Wal-Mart near campus is a great idea."

And it seems those in the area will be put through a love-hate relationship with the super-store. Even students displeased with Wal-Mart like sophomore Casey Ubben agree the location, at 72nd and Hickory streets, will be easier than most stores in the area. "As much as I hate Wal-Mart, it will be a convenient location."



photo by Bill Wendt

Construction is already underway on the former site of the Ranch Bowl. Its close location will make for easy shopping for students.



photos by Bill Wendt

The new Wal-Mart's doors will open in August 2008.

Student Election Results

Results that were available as of Wednesday evening are listed below.

Complete results were released after press time but will be available online at www.unogateway.com.

Overall Voter Turnout: 1308 students
Percent of Students Voting: 9.24 percent

Last Year's Turnout: 1483 students
Percent of Students Voting: 10.67 percent

President/Regent
Lucas Seiler, 838 votes, 64.07 percent (winner)
Meg Mandy, 393 votes, 30.5 percent

Vice President
Buey Ruei, 838 votes, 64.07 percent (winner)
Sheena Kennedy, 393 votes, 30.5 percent

Graduate Class Senator (2 seats)
No candidates

Senior Class Senator (2 seats)
No candidates

Junior Class Senator (2 seats)
Isaac Smith, 190 votes, 29.05 percent (winner)
Kenneth Spencer, 75 votes, 11.4 percent (winner)
Justin Loehr, results unavailable
Stacie Schreiber, results unavailable

Sophomore Class Senator (2 seats)
Chelsea Dukes, results unavailable (winner)
Tadd Wood, results unavailable

Freshman Class Senator (2 seats)
Megan Schmitz, 98 votes, 13.45 percent (winner)
Matt Nelson, 66 votes, 9.24 percent (winner)
Alexis Bowder, results unavailable
Brett Castinado, results unavailable
Nathan Christie, results unavailable
Francesca Hannah, results unavailable
Martina Kolobara, results unavailable
Andrew Schill, results unavailable
Theresa Swezey, results unavailable

College of Arts & Sciences Senator (6 seats)
Kiley Clemens, 164 votes, 6.97 percent (winner)
Dayton Headlee, 146 votes, 6.21 percent (winner)
Ally Lenhart, 135 votes, 5.74 percent (winner)
Kyle Maupin, 105, 4.46 percent (winner)
Jaclyn Davis, results unavailable
Nathaniel Edwards, results unavailable
Andrew Northwall, results unavailable

College of Graduate Studies (4 seats)
No candidates

College of Business Administration (3 seats)
Nick Buda, 118 votes, 15.25 percent (winner)
Shari Tangerman, 105 votes, 13.57 percent (winner)
Nathan Kirkland, 100 votes, 12.92 percent (winner)
William Whitman, results unavailable
Bradley Licht, results unavailable

College of Education Senator (2 seats)
Tyler Micek, 73 votes, 30.42 percent (winner)
Sarah Ruzicka, 51 votes, 21.25 percent (winner)

College of Education and Human Sciences Senator (1 seat)
Autumn Howard, 6 votes, 85.71 percent (winner)

College of Public Affairs and Community Service Senator (1 seat)
Neal Bonacci, 77 votes, 41.40 percent (winner)
Nicholas Lurz, results unavailable

College of Fine Arts, Communication and Media Senator (1 seat)
Holly Byers, 90 votes, 72.58 percent (winner)

College of Information Science and Technology (1 seat)
No candidates

College of Engineering and Technology (1 seat)
Jared Davis, 56 votes, 42.42 percent (winner)
Scott Murray, results unavailable
John Wrobel, results unavailable

University Division (1 seat)
Andrew Montgomery, 48, 72.73 percent (winner)
Brandon Hoover, results unavailable

Referenda Items

1. Do you approve the allocation by Student Government of a part of student fee income in support of the Gateway during the 2007-2008 fiscal year?

Approved, 46.25 percent

2. Do you approve the allocation by Student Government of a part of student fee income in support of the campus speaker program during the 2007-2008 fiscal year?

Approved, 55.12 percent

3. Do you approve the allocation by Student Government of a part of student fee income for salaries for student government officers during the 2007-2008 fiscal year?

Failed, 48.7 percent

Editor's Note: Percentages for individual ballot items and races were provided by Student Enrollment Services via student government. Percentages for total student turnout computed from SES's total recorded votes divided by fall administrative-siteheadcountenrollment for Fall 2007 and 2006 respectively.

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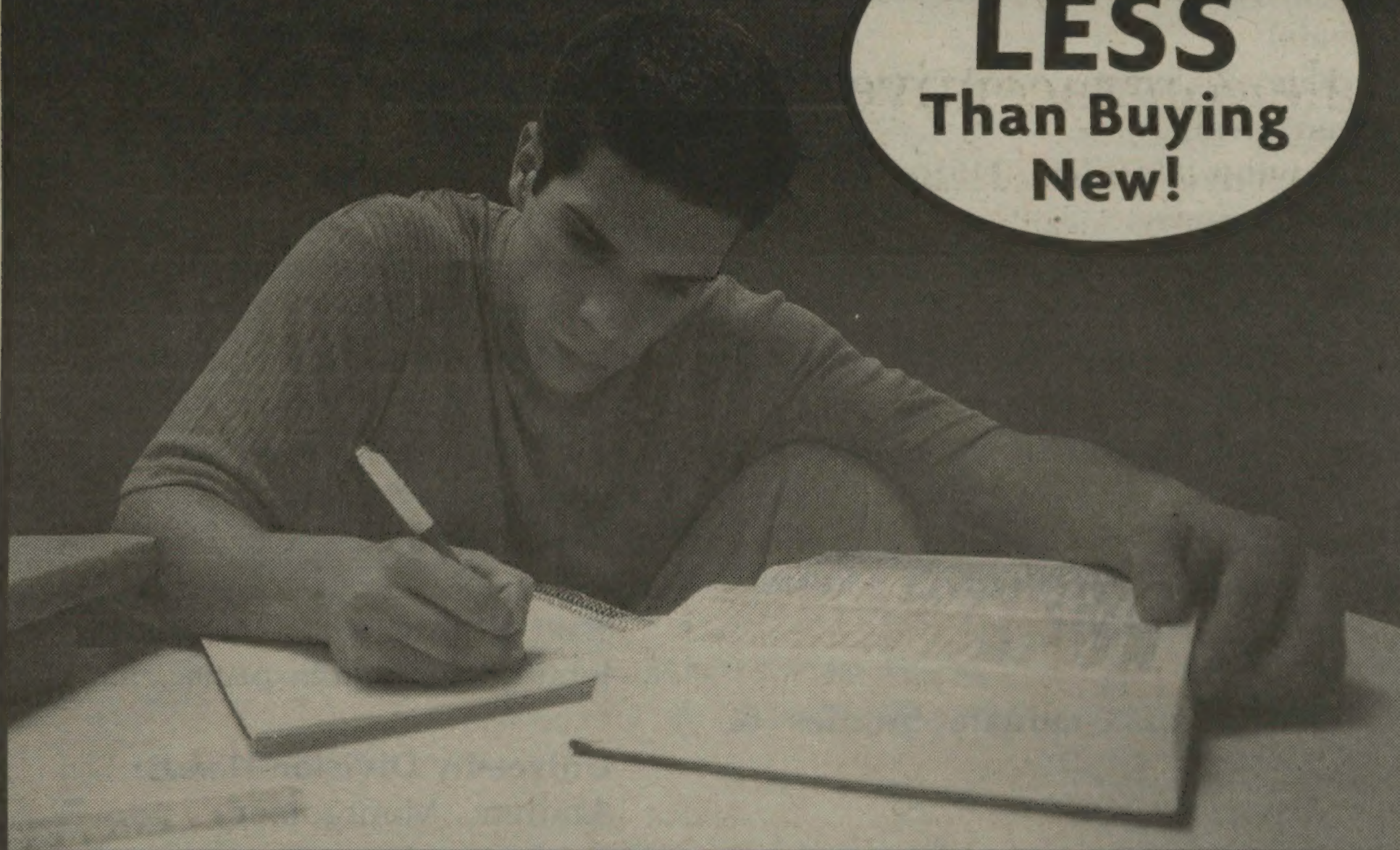
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Friday, Saturday home hockey games back on schedule as athletics department picks up tab

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Student government announced Sept. 27 that the UNO Athletic Department would be picking up the tab for Friday night hockey games, while student government decided to fund only Saturday games.

Ally Lenhart and Jaclyn Davis, members of the student government budget committee, approached the athletic department with the idea of picking up half of the cost for providing shuttle buses to the hockey games after deciding that the cost was becoming too high.

"[Student government] were kind of just thinking that the original \$3,800 needed to fund the buses for both nights was kind of a lot," said Lenhart. "Especially because we have been facing some fiscal problems in student government."

In looking for a financial partner, student government only needed to go across campus.

"We were looking to decrease our costs so we decided to turn to the athletic department and see if they would split the cost with us right down the middle," said Davis.

The athletic department agreed to the plan.

The hockey shuttle program is a service set in place – free of charge – for the students of UNO. Every Friday and Saturday night game, buses pick up students already gathered at the clock tower and transport them to the Qwest Center where the home games are held. Student government is considering having two pick-up times this year, one at 5:30 p.m. and the other at 6:30 p.m. After the game, the buses bring the students back to campus.

"We are very happy to be able to have the students [at the hockey games]," said Renae Church, assistant athletic director/business. "It is very important to us that we have the students in the stands supporting their team and that they see their team playing."

And with the program being successful so far, students are able to enjoy Maverick hockey action with ease.

"I think the buses are a good way to get the students down there who don't have cars and they are a good way to get everyone involved in going down there together and rallying around UNO," said Jon Green, one of the founders of the Bullpen.

The Bullpen is a recently official student organization that is partnered with Metro Credit Union to bring a sponsored student section to each Maverick game.

Jaclyn Davis said that she hoped that students would take advantage of the hockey buses particularly because both nights are funded by university and student funds.

"This is \$3,800 from UNO, spent for the students to have the accessibility to go to the hockey games," she said.

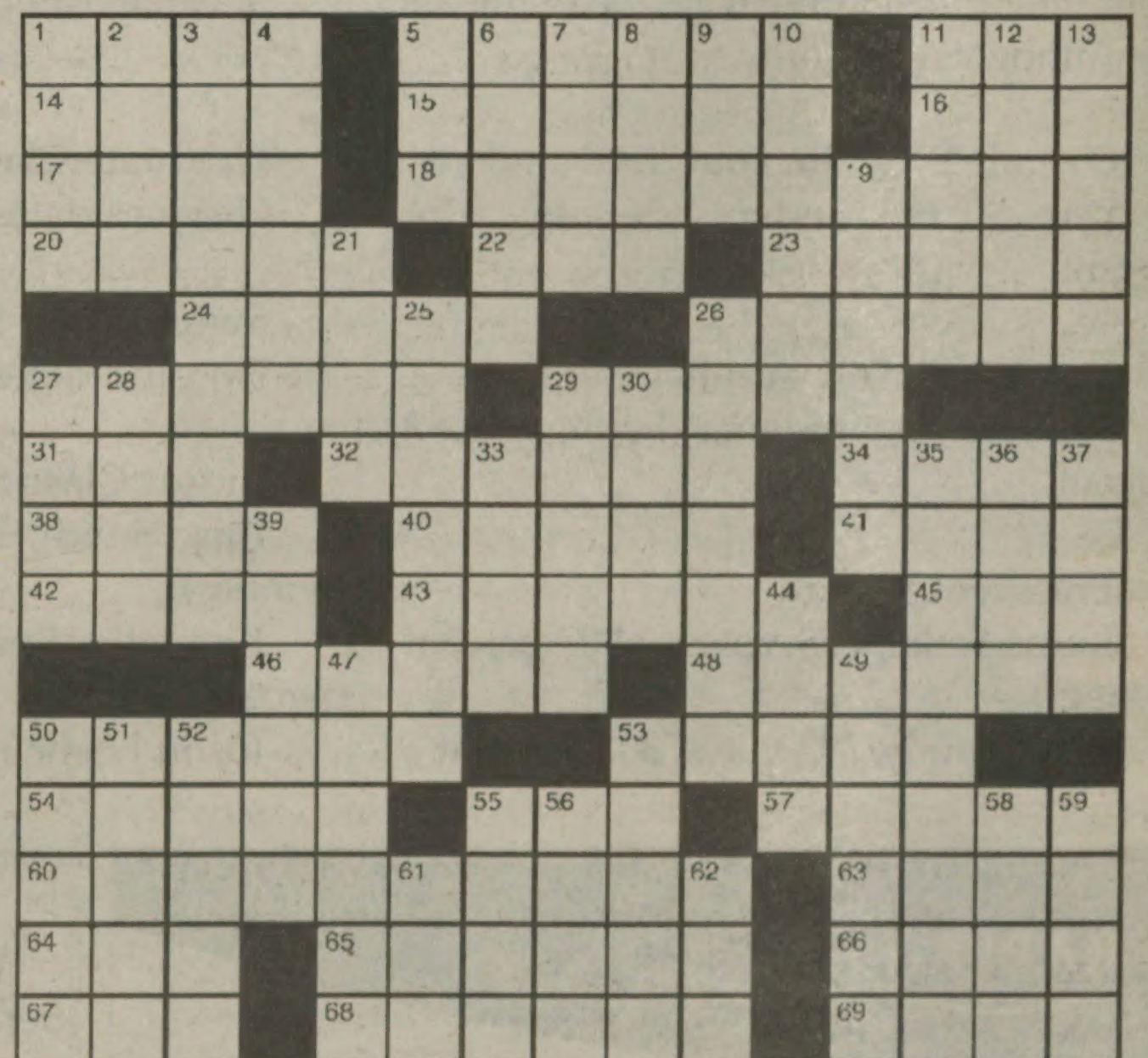
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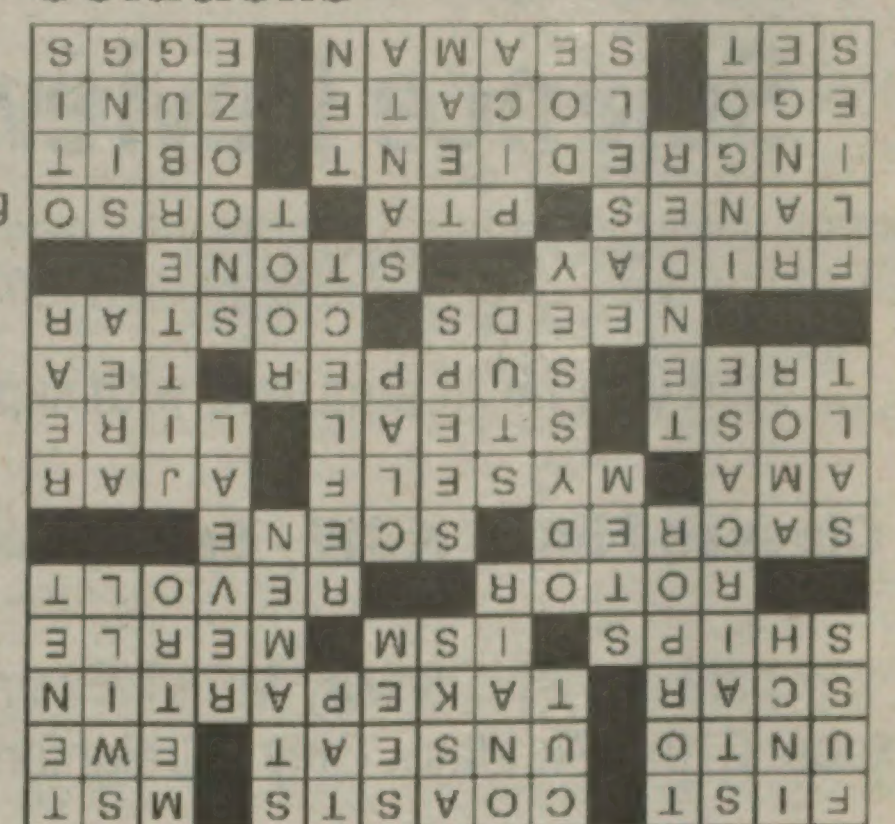
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Five years later: Communication expert, former *Gateway* editor is a Maverick once again

SHAYNA MCQUINN
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It was Wendy Townley's last year at Daniel J. Gross Catholic High School when she found her passion.

Having already decided to become a business major her first year at UNO, she took a job selling ads for the *Gateway* to gain experience. Little did she know that her part-time position would have her hitting the ground running to a major that she never thought would interest her.

"When I was selling newspaper ads, I had an opportunity to become a staff writer," said Townley, who was recently appointed assistant director of University Relations. "I wrote an article and fell in love with it. I even went to campus before the fall semester to file paperwork to become a Journalism major."

Townley began writing for the *Gateway* her first semester at school. The following spring, she was hired as news editor. Months later she became editor-in-chief. Although she could only hold this position for two semesters, it gave her a front row seat to every event on campus and allowed her exposure to working with section editors and photographers.

"I learned a lot about managing the staff," Townley said. "I learned about what it takes to put the pieces of a paper together. I was always writing in conjunction with going to school. I knew that it was something I wanted to go after. So much of the work I did at the *Gateway* made me more knowledgeable of my current position."

During college, Townley not only worked for the

Gateway, but also served as a newsroom intern for KMTV and a news producer at discoveromaha.com

After graduating in May 2002 with a bachelor's degree in journalism and mass communications, she began working at the *Bellevue Leader* as a staff writer.



photo by Patrick Doty

As a student at UNO, Wendy Townley was active in many organizations, including being editor in chief of the *Gateway*. She has recently returned to UNO, taking the position of assistant director of University Relations.

A short time later she ventured on to a new position at Leslie Kline Lukas and Associates as an account executive. Following this position, she became a public affairs specialist at Cox Communications.

"All of my past jobs have had a media relations component," Townley said. "It was definitely a good

fit when the job at UNO became available. I missed UNO after being gone for five years and I was thrilled to be able to come back on campus to work. I am very happy with my job. It is great to be able to work where I went to school. It is too good to be true."

Tim Kaldahl, recently appointed director of media relations, resigned from Townley's new position when he was promoted to director of the department.

Townley is in charge of managing media relations and working with the press and community on all areas of the university.

Throughout the day, she writes press releases, pitches media and handles the requests of other colleges. She also helps out public relations majors who are looking for real-world experience.

"My job touches every department on campus," Townley said. "Every day, I will get a request from someone in the media. I am constantly doing research to find who would be the best person to represent the university and answer the questions of reporters."

Townley not only manages to work a full-time job at the university, but also does freelance writing for a number of local publications, including *O Magazine*, the *Reader* and *Today's Omaha Women*.

According to Townley, her new job, as of Aug. 6, is the perfect fit.

"My advice to readers is that any internships to get during college are priceless," Townley said. "I was ready to attack the journalism world. Not all internships pay, but that's what you need to sacrifice. The experience is invaluable."

Men on 'the pill'? Doctors say it's no dream, but male contraceptive still science fiction for now

CAROL M. OSTROM
THE SEATTLE TIMES

SEATTLE (MCT) - At a conference of researchers looking at the future of male contraception, some nagging concerns poke through the fog of scientific jargon.

First: The male machinery that produces sperm - at a rate of 1,000 per heartbeat - is incredibly hard to disable.

Second: Would a man really trust some researcher to tinker with his testosterone? And would any woman believe a man who says, "I'm on the pill?"

Third: Men on the pill - are these researchers nuts?

As it happens, these concerns are not new to the doctors and scientists gathering at the University of Washington Thursday and Friday, many of whom have slogged through years of research on hormones, devices and treatments.

Yes, the sperm-production mechanism is hardy. Yes, attitudes of men and women will be key.

But no, these researchers are not nuts. There is good evidence, including some large international studies, that a good percentage of men would use a new male contraceptive.

Now, if these researchers could only produce one.

"Demand is the smallest hurdle," said Elaine Lissner of the Male Contraception Information Project, part of Our Bodies Ourselves, a Boston-area women's health-education organization. "Basically a majority in pretty much every country is interested in male contraception."

In some cases, Lissner said, male enthusiasm for a new method may well be linked to the hope of getting more sex. Some men want alternatives because the female pill affects their partner's libido, or because she's already abandoned contraception because of side effects. Some worry that women will forget or lie about contraception. Some just want to share the burden.

At this point, hormone-based methods, including pills and injections that last three to six months, are the farthest along in the research process, have the best chance of drug-company funding and are what men say they'd prefer, said Dr. William Bremner, a University of Washington endocrinologist.

Bremner, chairman of the university's School of

Medicine, is host of the conference, which is sponsored by the university, the National Institutes of Health, the World Health Organization and the Contraceptive Research and Development Program, an international consortium.

He said he and colleagues at the university's Male Contraception Research Center have already made "significant advances" toward a hormone-based "male pill."

But researchers have had a long, bumpy record with women's hormones. Why would men trust them with theirs?

"I think that's a fair question," Bremner responded. Researchers are shooting for a "normal range" of

hormones, and working hard to eliminate any side effects. "It's a tall order," he said.

And Lissner says women often tell her: "I wouldn't trust a guy in a bar who says he's on the pill."

Her response: "If it's a guy in a bar, you should be using a condom. End of story. This is not about the guy in the bar. This is about your boyfriend of four years, your fiancé, your husband."

Bremner says many men join his studies because their female partners have had to give up their contraception. Using condoms "becomes burdensome," he says, and vasectomy is usually irreversible. Even so,

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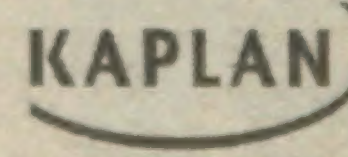
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Gateway staff celebrates Copy/Line Editor Ashlee Schuette's 23rd birthday Wednesday night. The staff thanks her for her hard work and late hours even with early classes.

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those male-based methods now account for a third of contraception used among stable couples in the United States and Europe, he says.

So how long before a male "pill" becomes available?

"I've been saying 'five to seven years' for about 20 years," Bremner admitted. "I will again say 'five to seven years.' I just want to give you a dose of reality."

Not all researchers are putting their eggs in the hormone basket.

Other headlines at the conference include something called the Intra Vas Device, a set of tiny implants that block the flow of sperm on its way out.

With this method, as with others, the concern is whether fertility can be reliably restored if desired.

Other researchers are looking at the effects of heat on male fertility, which have been known for centuries. In the 1940s, a doctor reported that sitting in a shallow, hot bath 45 minutes a day for three weeks caused six months of sterility.

A small study is also looking at ultrasound, Lissner said.

So far, heat-based methods haven't proved "adequately and reliably effective," Bremner said.

In addition, Lissner said, low-tech methods may not attract sufficient funding.


Another product now in late-stage clinical trials in India is called RISUG, an injectable compound that partially blocks the tubes carrying sperm.

"The goal in all this research is to give people a full range of choices," said Bremner, who said he just saw the movie "Knocked Up," about a couple facing a pregnancy after a one-night stand. "It's a major issue for both people involved."

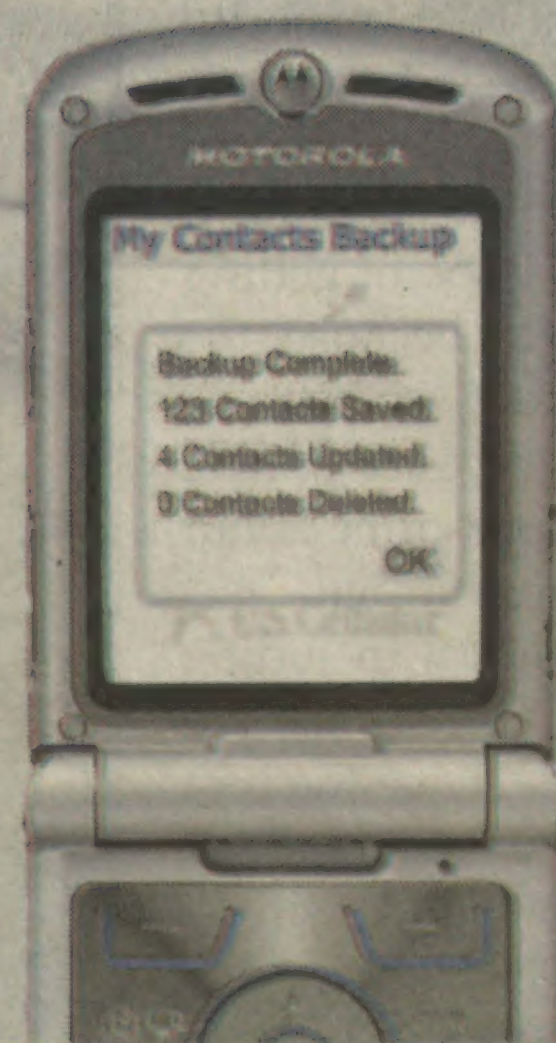
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Gateway guide to fall seasonal beer selection

It's evident that the autumn season has fallen upon us in a show of brilliant red, orange and yellow colors. The trees have already begun to turn from the delicate green of summer foliage to fiery autumn shades. The air is beginning to feel cool and crisp, the days are getting shorter and the beer list changes from the summer sunshine brews to the palatable blends of autumn Oktoberfest ales.

The major American and German brewers, like Sam Adams and Spaten, have begun to put out their seasonal beverages during this annual autumn German celebration. Any place serving beer, from Huber Haus to Old Chicago, feature an entire slew of new treats for the autumn beer drinkers. Tempting them with dark gold ambers and strong malty tastes, virtually no one will be able to resist.

Here is a quick guide for those adventurous spirits planning on venturing to the local bar scene with the intent of trying everything and anything beer related. Don't take our word for it though, go out and try these delectable beers yourself!

- Ashlee Schuette

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Paulaner Hefe-Weizen

This beer is at the top of my list, though not my favorite. The beverage is smooth with a subdued taste; not too malty but not too hoppy. It is a light colored white wheat ('hefen' is German for wheat) beer that is unfiltered, which gives it a flavorful taste and a cloudy lemon hazed complexion. It has light carbonation and an intoxicating citrus aroma. This is a great 'transition beer' for Bud Light drinkers to take a step up in quality and get into the festive season.

Rating: 3.5 out of 5

Samuel Adams Oktoberfest

As a personal fan of Samuel Adams' Cherry Wheat beer, I was excited to try the Boston brewery's take on German beer. Oktoberfest's color is a deep golden amber, reminiscent of the autumn landscape and foliage. It is a mixture of barley, toffee and caramel, balanced by strong flavorful German hops.

I found the beer lacking a robust taste, and the blend was too hoppy for my taste buds. If you enjoy malty beers, this is a great choice for the season, but neither its name nor its taste appealed to me. After seeing Oktoberfest spelled with a 'c' I should have known not to get my hopes up.

Rating: 2.5 out of 5

Spaten Oktoberfest

This is a clear bronze seasonal treat. It had a fresh, malty taste that is clean and smooth. Made in Munich, this provides a great Oktoberfest experience with a rich long lasting toasty aftertaste.

The dark golden beer has a pleasant, almost sweet, aroma and is slightly carbonated. The suave body is complemented by the nutty sweetness of the malt flavor with a perfect balance.

Rating: 5 out of 5

Warsteiner Premium Dunkel

By this time, my memory starts to become a little fuzzy and my notes become a little unfocused. This beer was a red/dark brown color that was served cold in a bottle (all previous beers were in a mug) so there was no detectable smell. It had a strong malt flavor but with a sharp aftertaste.

The Premium Dunkel provided neither the sweet nor spicy mixture one expects for the festive fall season and was not on my favorites list.

Rating: 2.5 out of 5

Blue Moon Harvest Moon Pumpkin Ale

This is a smooth pumpkin and cinnamon-scented amber beer that is mildly sweet, slightly pumpkin flavored and not hoppy. The ale is light flavor and a bit dry. The gentle pumpkin taste and nutmeg spice seem to be a great way for its base to balance the malt and barley. The ale's great balance of spice and malt alludes to softer, smooth aftertaste.

Though some might accuse this beer's taste of fading too quickly, I find this golden ale to be a tasty seasonal treat that is sweet, balanced with just a hint of spice and minimal aftertaste.

Rating: 3.5 out of 5

Paulaner Hefe-Weizen

Paulaner's Hefe-Weizen is Germany's take on wheat beer. It even looks like a wheat beer with its distinct cloudy appearance. But the Hefe-Weizen is unlike any wheat beer brewed in, say, Kansas City (Boulevard). Rather, you'll notice that hefty, hoppy taste of German beer.

I didn't try the Hefe-Weizen with lemon, but some of the negatives that are usually associated with German beer taste may be negated with a slice of lemon squeezed in it – just like any wheat beer.

Rating: 3.5 out of 5

Samuel Adams Oktoberfest

I have never been a huge fan of Sam Adams Boston Lager. In fact, I haven't met a Sam Adams I can say I like. I thought the Sam Adams Oktoberfest might have been different. I was wrong.

I give Sam Adams credit, though, for his idea: take a popular for German beer enthusiasts, and Americanize it. And Sam Adams doesn't fail at that idea, they just don't make it unique enough.

In my opinion, it still tastes way too much like a Sam Adams Lager, with a bit of not-so-impressive German hoppyness. Sam Adams fans should rejoice, though, for this is your Oktoberfest beer.

Rating: 1.5 out of 5

Spaten Oktoberfest

My first thought upon drinking Spaten Oktoberfest was, "This is German." The Hefe Weizen was tame compared to the hoppy taste of the Spaten Oktoberfest. This beer has tradition – it has been brewed in Germany since 1872, and is an Oktoberfest favorite of many German beer enthusiasts.

However, it's not for everyone. If you're normally a Bud Light drinker, you will probably not enjoy a glass of Spaten Oktoberfest. But, if you do manage to down one, you'll be rewarded with higher alcohol content than your average domestic light beer.

Rating: 2.5 out of 5

Warsteiner Premium Dunkel (Dark)

Don't let the overtly German-sounding name of this beer fool you – this one is smooth.

Although it may not be everyone's cup of tea (or beer?), the Warsteiner Premium Dunkel will conjure the least amount of bitter/repulsed beer face from the non-beer drinker. It has a sweet malty taste – no hoppy aftertaste here.

While this is a beginner-friendly beer, those who will like it most are the beer drinkers who like Guinness, but think it's a bit too heavy and a bit too dark. German beer enthusiasts may scorn me for this, but my main impression of the Warsteiner Premium Dunkel was light Guinness without the bite.

Rating: 4.5 out of 5

Blue Moon Harvest Moon Pumpkin Ale

If you're not already in the fall mood, go grab yourself a Harvest Moon Pumpkin Ale (provided you're of age).

This crisp beer shows its American side over the previous German monster brews, but what it lacks in fullness it makes up in refreshment.

While it is not as smooth as some other beers, it still has a sweet, malty taste that makes up for an already bearable aftertaste. A hint of, yes, pumpkin that doesn't overpower the traditional Blue Moon-esque (which means it's good) brewing makes this beer another good choice for beginners.

Rating: 3.5 out of 5



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Russian-born singer/songwriter Regina Spektor plays the Sokol Auditorium tonight in support of her 2006 album *Begin to Hope*. Spektor also played Bonnaroo and Lollapalooza earlier this year.



Indie-sensation Regina Spektor to play Sokol

ANDREA BARBE
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

With fall already underway, the Omaha metro area is preparing to welcome in an abundance of musical performers to the area. Heading into October, the Sokol Underground is set to kick off the first of many big acts with singer/songwriter Regina Spektor on Friday, Oct 5.

The Russian-born, Bronx-bred Spektor hit the mainstream music scene with her hit single "Fidelity" off her 2006 album, *Begin to Hope*.

Since then, her career has landed her performances on *The Dave Letterman Show*, *Last Call with Carson Daly*, *The Tonight Show with Jay Leno*, *Good Morning America* and *Jimmy Kimmel Live!* Her songs were even featured on wildly popular TV shows like *Grey's Anatomy* and Showtime's *Weeds*.

Spektor also performed at the Bonnaroo and Lollapalooza Music Festivals this summer and recently played a live show for *Austin City Limits*.

"I first heard her on the *Grey's Anatomy* soundtrack, and immediately loved it [her sound]," freshman Clare Maakestad said. "One interesting thing about Regina is that she immigrated to the United States, so she has a different take on everything."

"She is always trying new types of music, and each of her songs is different," she added. "My mom told me that when her parents and she immigrated here, they had to sell their piano. Being that they were musicians, that was all they really had of value."

Junior Courtney Young had a different initial reaction to hearing Spektor's unorthodox sound.

"I was first introduced to Regina Spektor's music about three years ago, shortly after her release of *Soviet Kitsch*," Young said. "Initially, I couldn't stand her music. I thought it was obnoxious and too 'out there' for my liking."

But for Young, it was Spektor's recent success on the airwaves that changed her mind about the singer/songwriter.

"I probably would have never given her a second glance," she said. "These days, I find Regina's music to be honest, genuine, and inventive. I can't wait to see her in live action."

Only Son, an eclectic band from New York City, will join Spektor and open this 8 p.m. show. Tickets are \$19 and can be purchased through any Ticketmaster outlet.

ShelterSkelter performance flirts with the darker side of romance this Halloween season

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In the past, Shelterbelt Theatre's annual *Shelterskelter* series has left audiences rolling in their seats with laughter. This year, expect the sound of laughter to be replaced with a thick tension as the series takes on a darker, more violent tone.

In years past, the *Shelterskelter* series was composed of 10 sketches, running 10-to-15 minutes each, of your typical blood-sucking and voodoo magic Halloween fare written by local playwrights.

This year, the Shelterbelt Theatre series is opening with a short one act play by Scott Working called *A Homecoming*. Following the opening act will be Working's adaptation of John Webster's revenge tragedy, *The Duchess of Malfi*.

In *A Homecoming*, a hairy and lean man returns home for the holidays to find that not much has changed concerning his family's traditions of treachery and violence.

Meanwhile, in *The Duchess of Malfi*, a young and widowed heiress is forbidden by her two brothers to marry her true love. Her love interest happens to be a servant, who, has already impregnated her. The brothers find out about the child through a spy and, in order to maintain their family's honor, make a series of fatal decisions.

As an additional special treat through October, Shelterbelt will be hosting a playwrights' "Open Mic Night" every Saturday at 10 p.m. following the *Shelterskelter* performance.

Omaha writers of all kinds are welcome to present their material for

free for five minutes. Performers wanting to present will need to bring a typed copy of their material for the evening's coordinator by 9:30 p.m.

Opening night for this year's *Shelterskelter* festivities was Oct. 4 and shows run Thursday through Sunday all month long. A special Halloween showing will be held Wednesday, Oct. 31.

Show times are 8 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays and 6 p.m. on Sunday. Reservations can be made by contacting the theatre at 341-2757 or online at www.shelterbelt.org. Tickets are \$15 or \$12 for students with IDs.



Jealousy and greed are the source of a deadly family power play in *The Duchess of Malfi* the latest installment in Shelterbelt Theater's annual *Shelterskelter* series.

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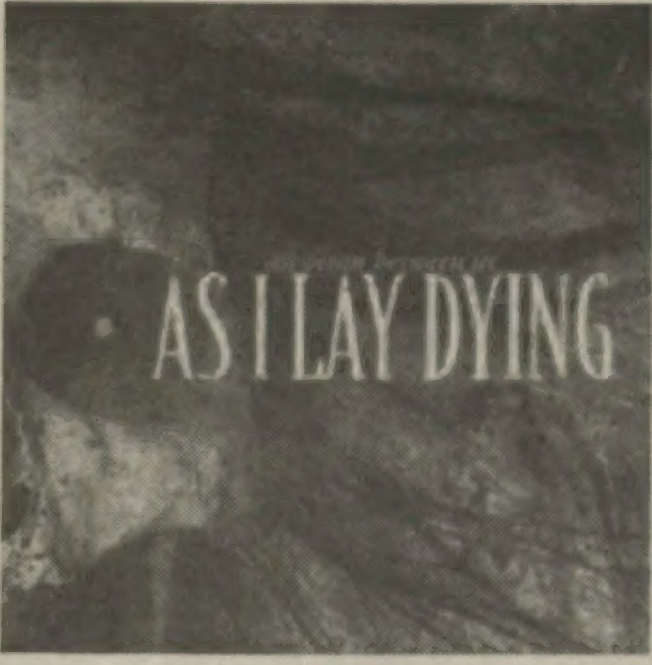
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As I Lay Dying
An Ocean Between Us

"Holy freaking calf muscles!" That's what will be going through your head while listening to As I Lay Dying's fourth album.

Drummer Jordan Mancino destroys the bass drum to a point that you would swear "Within Destruction" has two drummers, each armed with double kick pedals.

The beautiful fretwork by guitarists Phil Sgroso and Nick Hipa will likely give fans post-micturition convulsion syndrome, a.k.a. the "pee shivers." The guitar sets in this album are possibly the band's best ever.

As I Lay Dying's vocals have also taken a turn for the best. While their first three records were your standard 'scream your loudest, lay down the fastest beats and most ripping solos,' this iteration focuses on harmonized choruses and well-written verses.

For the hardcore metalheads, there are plenty of songs like "Wrath Upon Ourselves" that will rock your face off and "The Sound of Truth" will make you want to mosh and drum your desk or steering wheel to the beat.

From the opening track to its closer, *An Ocean Between Us* may be the best hardcore album you will buy all year; maybe ever.



Between the Buried and Me
Colors

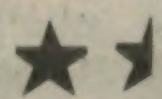
Through most of the first track on *Between the Buried and Me's* new album, you may wonder if it is a joke, especially as it starts off using synthesizers in an almost Queen-like ballad. Then again, the North Carolina natives have always reputed themselves as an experimental band.

Many of the songs, like "Informal Gluttony" and "Ants of the Sky," have pipe organs, jungle beats and animal sounds, an Arabian musical score, some piano-led swing, and a country style ho-down infused into the mix.

Even "Prequel to the Sequel," which is most like previous BTBAM works and probably the best song on the new album, has a section of accordion-led polka.

Colors reeks of a mess of an experiment-gone-wrong up until the soothing, instrument only "Viridian" just before the band gives the album one last adrenaline shot with "White Walls," the hardest track on the album.

Those who have never experienced BTBAM's music would certainly be in awe at the indecipherable sounds produced by this album. But awe is not always a good thing. I can't consciously recommend this album to anyone but the most hardcore BTBAM fan.



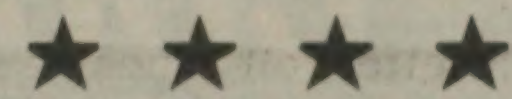
Voodoo Glow Skulls
Southern California Street Music

Voodoo Glow Skulls' eighth album maintains the band's harder punk/ska style. Since leaving Epitaph Records for Victory Records, the band has slowly evolved to this style and has added more catchy lyrics and even some singing instead of vocalist Frank Casillas' trademark 'burst yelling' style.

Several songs, like "Fire in the Dancehall" and "Home is Where the Heart(ache) Is," emphasize the new singing style. However, the new style is hit and miss. "Morning Air Raid Sirens" sounds like the work of a more matured, experienced band while "Death Wish List" and "While My City Sleeps" make it seem like the band regressed into a novice garage band with grating verses and comical, unorganized horn sets.

"Dancing On Your Grave" will sound the most familiar to VGS fans and "Say Hello To My Little Friend" may grab new ones with its catchy, more instrument-balanced style and heavy ska elements. Meanwhile, "Discombobulated" is a true-to-form ska song that will force you to get up, skank and start a circle pit.

If you are not a VGS fan, this mediocre album will not turn you in to one, but longtime fans should give it a listen.



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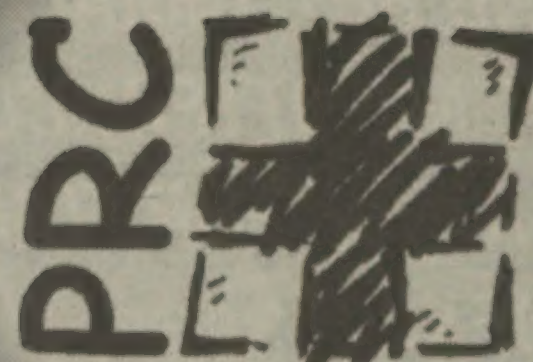
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Wolfe takes home first place as Maverick golfers continue to tear up North Central Region

KEVIN CLEMENS
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Sara Wolfe woke up Monday morning two shots behind Anglea Klindtworth from Manitoba at the Sioux Women's Invitational Tournament, but she took advantage of her position and took home the first place trophy for the soaring Mavericks.

The senior from Norfolk, Neb., shot a closing round 78 to obtain her first career tournament title.

Wolfe shot a total of 153 in the tournament's two rounds, which put her in a tie for first place with Klindtworth. Wolfe was awarded the victory after a scorecard playoff.

"I played well yesterday and I was excited to come out and play today," Wolfe said after the tournament concluded. "The team has been playing very well."

Wolfe and company are now able to look ahead to next week's North Central Conference tournament.

"[We are] very positive, focusing ourselves for

defending our conference championship," Wolfe said.

The impressive senior standout Lynn Mulligan produced yet another impressive result, finishing in 3rd place. She shot the best score of the second day, a 76, which gave her a 36-hole total of 154. She has placed in the top three for three successive tournaments and has not finished outside of the top ten in a tournament all season.

The Mavericks finished the tournament at the par-72, 5,867-yard King's Walk golf course with all five members in the top 20. Last week's tournament victor at the Southwest Minnesota State Invitational, Lindsay Newton, shot 80 and 81 for a total of 161, giving her a 12th place finish.

Erin Ommen shot 83-79 for a total of 162, which gave her a 13th place finish. Abbey Weddle shot 80-85 for 165, which allowed her to finish in 19th place. The Mavericks also brought two individual competitors to the tournament: Dani Suponchick, who finished in a tie for 19th place, and Kate O'Dea, who ended up in a tie for 41st place.

The UNO Mavericks have played untouchable golf in recent weeks, posting impressive winning stroke margins of 24 last week and 12 this week. They now look to carry this impressive scoring display into the all-important conference tournament next week.

The Mavericks have been on a tear throughout the Midwest, collecting three consecutive tournament championships before heading into next week's conference tournament.

"We are heading into [the conference tournament] with a lot of confidence, and the players have a lot of confidence," said Head Coach Tim Nelson. "We won't be over-confident but we will stay positive and hope to win the conference again for the second straight year."

It appears that the experience on this Maverick golf team is beginning to pay off heading into next week's crucial event. If this golf team continues its exciting play, the homestretch to this fall season has limitless potential. The 54-hole NCC tournament will be held Oct. 6th through Oct. 8th in Sioux Falls, S.D.

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Senior forward Brandie Beale beats an opponent to a ball during Saturday's 3-0 victory over St. Cloud State. UNO is 3-2 in NCC play this season.



Junior MaryClaire Murnan dishes off to senior Kellyn Kramolisch during the final minute of the first half Saturday afternoon. Kramolisch finished, making the score 2-0. UNO will host Metro State Friday.

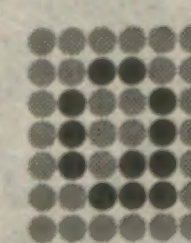
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Five down, five still to go: How the Mavericks will continue their undefeated run in 2007

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photo by Michelle Bishop

The Maverick offense, led by quarterback Zach Miller, rolled over the Western Washington defense Sept. 15.

Alright football fans, we've reached the proverbial halftime of this year's season. The UNO football team has cruised to a 5-0 start and is sitting atop the rankings in one of the three major polls in Division II college football. Their outstanding play has created a lot of buzz around campus, within the North Central Conference, and in the national media.

But before we crown UNO NCC/National champions, they will have to endure an extremely difficult slate of NCC matchups.

Here's an in-depth look at UNO's current situation, and what remains for our Mavericks in 2007.

UNO's Current Rankings

5-0, 3-0 in NCC play

No. 1 in the College Sports Report Division II rankings

No. 5 in the D2football.com media poll

No. 6 in the American Football Coaches Association Division II coach's poll

Challenge No. 1: North Dakota

5-0, 3-0 in NCC

No. 3 in CSR; No. 2 in D2football.com; No. 2 in AFCA

Saturday, Oct. 13, 1 p.m.

The Alerus Center, Grand Forks, N.D.

Match-up to watch: UND RB Ryan Chappell vs. UNO OLB Jeff Souder

Only a sophomore, Chappell is establishing himself as one of the nation's elite backs. He currently leads the nation in rushing yards (959) and rushing yards per game (191.8). Souder has emerged this year as one of UNO's defensive leaders and is second in the NCC with 49 tackles. There will likely be several collisions between these two throughout the game, and the big linebacker from Bellevue will be expected to shake the young thoroughbred up a bit.

How we could lose

This might be the most highly anticipated match-up in the North Central Conference in its long, celebrated history. North Dakota will be at home, likely playing in front of at least 10,000 hostile Fighting Sioux faithful that will realize the significance of this game. If North Dakota can establish the run with Chappell early in the game, something they've had no trouble doing all season, UNO might be unable to take the crowd, or the nation's top-rated passer Danny Freund, out of it.

Why we'll win

With two evenly-matched powerhouses hooking up, it's going to come down to the game planning of two NCC legends. In recent years, UNO Head Coach Pat Behrns has clearly had the number of UND Head Coach Dale Lennon, winning four out of the last five contests. Coming off a bye week, Behrns will have that much more time than Lennon this year to prepare his players. Behrns will find a way to take the crowd out of it early by getting RB Brian McNeill involved. As the running game forces Fighting Sioux backers to creep up, passing lanes will open up a bit, setting the stage for QB Zach Miller's defining game as a Maverick.

Challenge No. 2: Minnesota Duluth

2-3, 1-2 in NCC play

No. 47 in CSR; unranked in D2football.com; unranked in AFCA

Saturday, October 20, 1 p.m.

Caniglia Field, Omaha, Neb.

Match-up to watch: UMD QB Ted Schlafke vs. UNO S Randy Kush

Schlafke is a Zach Miller-type in that he can

hurt you with the run and the pass. The junior has amassed over 1,500 yards of total offense in five games this season. Fortunately for Coach Behrns, he has a guy like Randy Kush, an excellent defender in coverage and in run support, playing strong safety. Kush has made a career here at UNO out of hassling quarterbacks. He has the most interceptions (16) in Maverick history, and will have an eye on Schlafke all afternoon in search for a couple more picks to put the record out of reach.

How we could lose

Coming off a huge game, like the game UNO will be coming off of heading into this one, is often cause for a letdown. If the Mavericks cannot clear that always-difficult hurdle of refocusing following what looks to be a slugfest with North Dakota, the UNO defense might just get surprised. Duluth has scored at least three touchdowns in every game this season.

Why we'll win

Minnesota Duluth ranks next to last in total defense in the NCC, and UNO's offense is regarded around the league as one of the most difficult to stop. Perhaps even more significant are these two teams' turnover margins. UNO has a +1.6 per game margin compared to a -1 per game margin for Duluth. UNO is just too crisp, and UMD is just too sloppy to make this game anything other than a rout.

Challenge No. 3: St. Cloud State

3-2, 0-2 in NCC play

No. 53 in CSR; unranked in D2football.com; unranked in AFCA

Saturday, Oct. 27, 1 p.m.

Husky Stadium, St. Cloud, Minn.

Match-up to watch: SCSU DT Cale Pulczynski vs. UNO LT Ben Hochstein

A 6-foot-3-inch, 260-pound defensive tackle with athletic ability is always scary. A few things are certain with him on the line for the Huskies: he's going to fill running gaps, he's going to be a primary focus for offenses and he's going to be a handful. That's why it's a good thing Hochstein has big hands. The 300-pound senior at left tackle was a first-team all-American last season, and a first-team preseason all-American this year. Pulczynski is near the top of the conference in tackles for a loss (7) and sacks (3.5), and Hochstein has made a living in keeping premier defensive linemen out of the backfield. This battle of two heavyweights should be fun to watch.

How we could lose

St. Cloud State ranks third in the NCC in sacks this season, recording 14 in five games. If the Huskies mix up blitz packages, find a way to fluster Zach Miller and force some turnovers with their home crowd behind them, anything could happen.

Why we'll win

Who are we kidding? St. Cloud State has been shutout in two straight NCC contests and ranks near or at the bottom of the conference in every major offensive category. Even in the friendly confines of Husky Stadium, there's absolutely no chance the Huskies can hang with the well-oiled machine that is the UNO offense.

Challenge No. 4: South Dakota

3-2, 2-0 in NCC play

No. 20 in CSR; No. 20 in D2football.com; No. 22 in AFCA

Thursday, Nov. 1, 7 p.m.

Caniglia Field, Omaha, Neb.

Match-up to watch: USD LB Tyler Bergan vs. UNO RB Brian McNeill

This time two years ago, Bergan was playing for the Iowa Hawkeyes. Speedy and powerful, he has proven to be a man among boys at times this season in both stopping the run and dropping back in coverage. Expect the senior to get even better as he spends more time under the tutelage of USD Defensive Coordinator Jim Glogowski. Bergan will be expected to help contain the phenom that is Brian McNeill, something that

hasn't been done yet this season. McNeill is on pace to have over 1,200 yards rushing by this game's kick-off.

How we could lose

USD's two losses this season were to top ten-ranked West Texas A&M, in a 55-45 shootout, and Division I McNeese St. They were ranked in the top ten in preseason polls, and with the most balanced offensive attack in the NCC, they are expected to head nowhere but back up those polls as conference play rolls on. The Huskies have thumped the Mavericks in each of the last two seasons, so they will come into Omaha not hoping to win but expecting to win.

Why we'll win

One thing UNO hadn't had the last two seasons that they have this year is big play ability in the passing game. Whereas last year Zach Miller was an athlete who happened to play quarterback, Miller has asserted himself this year as an *athletic quarterback* who can beat up a defense any way he pleases. In front of a likely huge crowd for UNO's last home game as a member of the NCC, an experienced group of Maverick receivers will prove to be too much for South Dakota's secondary, which ranks second to last in the conference in pass defense.

Challenge No. 5: Central Washington

3-1, 2-1 in NCC play

No. 16 in CSR; No. 23 in D2football.com; unranked in AFCA

Saturday, Nov. 10, 2 p.m.

Tomlinson Stadium, Ellensburg, Wash.

Match-up to watch: CW WR Johnny Spevak vs. UNO CB Reed Taylor

Spevak is a sophomore, but he's already become the preferred target for quarterback Mike Reilly. He's averaged six catches and a touchdown in four games this season. As the number one guy in his offense, he's bound to be matched up with opposing defenses' best cover corners, which in UNO's case is junior Reed Taylor. The all-conference jam-specialist from a year ago leads the NCC in passes defended through five games (1.4 per), a number that would be higher if opposing quarterbacks weren't avoiding throwing in his direction.

How we could lose

Not only can the Wildcats put up points with anybody, they do so many other things well. Their turnover margin (+2.75 per game) is outrageous, and they play a no-bend style of defense that dares offenses to come up with a big play. If our passing attack struggles to collect on its opportunities downfield and they come up with takeaways like they've done with ease all season, the proven ability of quarterback Mike Reilly to protect the football will ice an upset for the 'Cats.

Why we'll win

Against North Dakota this year, Central Washington showed how vulnerable they are against the run in giving up 378 yards on the ground to the Fighting Sioux. They are ranked fourth in the NCC in rush defense despite playing three pass-reliant offenses in their four games this season. UNO's 270 yards rushing per game will likely be surpassed in Ellensburg, and the Mavericks will ride Brian McNeill's coattails to 10-0.

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